(iv) Raising of the perimeter wall to the prescribed height at all the operational airports.

(v) Replacement of old X-Ray machines and installation of new colour X-Ray machines wherever necessary so as to ensure that atleast 2 X-Ray machines are available at every point.

(vi) Modernisation and upgradation of security related technological set up of the airports is beign done in a phased manner.

The countries where Indian Airlines/Air India flights are being operated have been suggested to ensure proper safety of these flights.

Construction of Cargo Airports

1232. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Cargo Airports Government proposes to construct during the Ninth Plan; and

(b) the name of places which are given priority and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) do not have plans to construct airports exclusively for cargo handling operations during the Ninth Plane period.

CCTV Cameras at Delhi and Mumbai Airports

1233. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a facat that the closed circuit cameras installed at the Mumbai Airport were recently covered with certain substance and the cameras at IGI Airport were also found covered with caps and pull overs in a bid to cover its view;

(b) if so, what is the outcome of the inquiry, if any, made by Government to identify the elements involved; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) No, Sir. No such incident has been reported from Mumbai and Delhi airports in respect of closed Circuit Television Cameras of Airports Authority of India.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Implementation of Kelkar Committee Recommendations in IA

1234. SHRI V.N. GADGIL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vijay Kelkar Committee had recommended infusion of equity of Rs. 375 crores in Indian Airlines to enable the Indian Airlines to acquire 75 new aircrafts to replace it ageing 56 strong fleet;

(b) whether the recommendation was accepted; and

(c) if not, the reason for not implementing it for more than three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) The Kelkar Committee had recommended financial restructuring of Indian Airlines which, *inter alia,* envisaged injection of Rs. 475 crores by the Government in the form of compensation, subordinated loan and equity.

(b) and (c) The above recommendations were examined by the Government, and it was decided to infuse Rs. 325 crores as equity, to be used as margin money towards purchase/replacement of aircraft.

Impact of Privatisation of Procurement of Aircrafts by IA

1235. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister on CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "who will pay for new IA aircraft" as reported in the Times of India dated the 26th January, 2000;

(b) if so, whether Government's decision to privatise Indian Airlines and involve a strategic partner with a 26 per cent stake marks has created problem of acquisition of new aircrafts by Indian Airlines;

(c) whether any decision to acquire more planes was pending with Government; and

(d) if so, how Government would acquire those planes and at what cost, the details thereof?